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Preface

Daffodil International University is contributing to the nation by providing tertiary level education that produces graduates with high self-esteem who are able to accept and overcome challenges in a fast-changing environment. Aligned with the university's mission the Department of English, one of the leading departments under the Faculty of Humanities and Social Science at DIU, aspires to be a center of academic excellence, professional expertise and contextual research in English Studies both nationally and globally. We want to foster knowledge and a love of literature and of language among students with a coherent curricular framework and well-structured course choices through teaching a variety of literary, pedagogical, theoretical and analytical skills. The department was established in 2003 with a view to offering high standards English education at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. At present the department has more than 50 full-time faculty members. In addition, it has part-time and visiting professors and advisors of high repute from both Bangladesh and abroad. The academic programs in the department are conducted semester-wise in a well-planned way where the best quality of education is given to the students covering the most updated developments in English studies all over the world. The department has a language laboratory under it which is furnished with modern electronic equipment for speaking and listening practice. Different kinds of academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities like conferences, seminars, workshops, literary discussions, debates and film shows are organized on a regular basis. 'English Olympiad Bangladesh' is a signature even organized by the department.

The Department of English, DIU has been organizing 'English Olympiad Bangladesh', a nation-wide English competition, for facilitating the enhancement of English Education in the country with a view to creating scopes for students, beyond the classroom, to pro-actively involve in creative practices of English language. The event drew over 500 entries from schools and colleges in 2019, 948 entries in 2021 and 977 in 2022 which prove the growing popularity of the competition among the students of schools and colleges of Bangladesh.

Learners in our country get too little opportunity for such self-expression in the normal routined activities and they are in search of a stimulus to such creativity. English Olympiad Bangladesh creates opportunities for learners to brainstorm and explore to go through the tests, in which students need to be aware about the context they live in and have to involve in a crash program through contextual thinking about the world around them. So, the vision of the Olympiad, in perspective of DIU is - "to create generations of language activists to empower English language use through arranging annual 'congregation of English users country wide'". The competition seeks to stimulate students' interests to study, practice and play through English grammar, speaking, reading and writing skills to deepen their appreciation for English language use.

The competition is being organized for the third time in 2022 with the motto "Show your English talents, Go for greater challenge" to make our youth as competent global citizens to take lead in international activities. The department has received the support of sponsoring organizations and partners, principals from educational institutions, and eminent professors from various tertiary institutes as judges. We are proud to organize this scholarly gathering of academicians and budding stars of tomorrow.



Message

Message from the Chairman

It is time to commence the English Olympiad Bangladesh 2022 once again in Daffodil International University. We are on the verge of finding the toppers who shall triumph and take home the prizes or discover them. So, it is high time to "Show your English talents, go for the greater challenge." In our present age, all of us are aware of the fact that people all over the world use the English language to communicate with one another. So, it is vital that all the students belonging to Generation Alpha and beyond, receive a chance to test their speaking, reading, writing, and listening skills. This is the main purpose of organizing the English Olympiad. Yes, there are scopes for winning spectacular prizes, but it is PARTICIPATION which matters the most.

In the 21st century, there are many challenges to overcome, and Daffodil is always eager to rise up and combat such challenges by arranging competitions such as the English Olympiad. We brought a different International platform so that our young generation join the global network, explore their potential and develop themselves. Besides, Daffodil has always been a strong advocate for nurturing talented young minds. We believe every student has infinite potential inside just waiting for the right opportunity to present itself. So, let's allow the latent ability of every student to shine through this competition. I look forward to seeing the thrill and enthusiasm among students in this year's English Olympiad.

With my best Regards

Dr. Md. Sabur Khan

Chairman

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Message

Message from the Vice Chancellor

We welcome a large gathering of English Olympians from all over Bangladesh, guests, and dignitaries to 'Daffodil Smart City' at the 3rd English Olympiad Bangladesh (EOB) with the theme; "Show your English talents/ Go for greater challenge" to be held on the 7th of October 2022.

An English Olympiad is a grand event with a series of competitions to cultivate curiosity, competence, and charismatic quality among the young generation to learn English not as a subject but as a language and a very rich literature to explore its beauty and wealth to enlighten their souls. I am sure that the brave competitors in the 3rd EOB would come up with rich ideas, sharp skills, and useful knowledge to create the leaders of the new millennium who will lead the country to a greater height.

I feel proud that the English Department, through several rounds over the last few months, has been able to engage competitors from secondary and higher secondary levels from all over the country giving the event a national flare. Daffodil International University, indeed, is proud of the English Department.

I am extremely delighted to convey my greetings to the English Olympians, dignitaries, and guests. I congratulate the Department of English for organizing this memorable event culminating in its final round and a grand finale on the 7th of October 2022.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Lutfar Rahman'.

Professor M. Lutfar Rahman, PhD

Vice Chancellor

Daffodil International University



Message

Message from Pro-Vice Chancellor

I am glad to know that every year English Olympiad Bangladesh is welcoming a large number of students to participate in competitions of the English language throughout the nation, boosting English language learning. I would like to extend my congratulations to the winners, the runners-up, and other participants. I want to thank everyone who participated and made an effort to prove themselves. I want to express my gratitude to the English Department at Daffodil International University for all of their efforts in making this Olympiad a great success. We need English for technology, business, and education since it is a lingua franca, or universal language. English is needed for all the disciplines and to sustain in the fourth industrial revolution.

I wish this event a grand success.

Professor Dr. S.M. Mahbub Ul Haque Majumder
Pro-Vice Chancellor



Message

Message from the Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences (FHSS)

I am delighted to be able to send my best wishes to the wonderful team of English Olympiad who have been running this signature program for about three years or more and importantly it's a very successful and popular competition among school and college level students.

This is a festival offering renewal, growth, hope and joy. The motto of this English Olympiad is to cultivate enthusiasm among the young generation to learn English not as a subject but as a language to explore its beauty to enlighten their soul. I am sure that this program would come up with ideas, prosperity, and knowledge and create learners of the new era who will lead the country.

To have another language is to possess a second soul, a Charlemagne. Actually, learning a new language is a wonderful addition which empowers you to create new perspective and vision to understand human nature and life. Proficiency in English is must for our survival in the time of globalization and to communicate with people from different languages, culture and races. So, I welcome you all to come and explore our Daffodil International University and see how we explore English and higher studies as well.

Wish Success and Luck

A. M.M. Hamidur Rahman
Professor & Dean, FHSS



Message

Message from the Head, Department of English

It is my pleasure to host the English Olympiad Bangladesh (EOB) in the Department of English, Daffodil International University. I am glad to announce that the Department of English has successfully completed a series of events before the commencement of this magnificent grand finale. I am hopeful that the final event will also be great. With this in mind, let me welcome you all to the grand finale of EOB.

This year we have seen a large crowd of young people who participated in the elementary stages and showed their talents. I am delighted to thank every participant for their interest in learning through engagement. Particularly, I thank everyone who made it to the final round despite all the hard screening. You deserve all the appreciation and applause. We have tried to design the EOB in such a manner that cultivates curiosity, competence, and hard work. I believe that these qualities distinguish the dignified from the average. After knowledge learned from this event, we hope, our participants will go a long way to success in life and career. They will contribute to our collective aspirations of making young people having leadership skills, smartness, and knowledge. I hope they will show their talents and go for greater challenges in future as our slogan says it all– Show your talents, Go for greater challenges. I wish you all every success.

I thank DIU for launching such a great event, the administrations for helping us organize it, and most importantly, my colleagues who have energetically worked day in and day out. I thank everyone for their sincere efforts in making it a success.

Liza Sharmin, PhD
Head, Dept. of English, DIU



Message

Message of The Chief Guest

I congratulate the Department of English, Daffodil International University (DIU), for organizing the English Olympiad Bangladesh 2022 (EOB'22). Over the years, this competition has generated interest and enthusiasm among language learners from across the country.

DIU deserves special credit for creating a healthy education culture through which students from various schools and colleges will be able to demonstrate their English skills and aptitudes. I am confident that the participants will use this platform to test their competence as well as to develop mutual respect.

The pandemic forced us to withdraw from many human interactions. Events like these will help us appreciate life and engage with it through meaningful activities.

I express my heartfelt thanks to the Department of English, DIU for holding this exciting event. My best wishes are for all the participants and advanced felicitations to the EOB'22 team.

Shamsad Mortuza, PhD
Professor, Department of English, University of Dhaka



Message

Message from the Convener

The Department of English, Daffodil International University has been organizing the English Olympiad Bangladesh for last three years. Through the significant upshot from different educational organizations, it has become the Signature Event of the department. At present, EOB is one of the most conspicuous English language proficiency competitions in this country. It reflects the university's bouncing education culture.

I am privileged to convene EOB 22 which has initially got thousand responses from more than hundred institutions and now after the selection round (online), 500 pupil from 60 esteemed schools and colleges are expected to come to Daffodil Start City for final round on 7th October 2022.

I express my devout thanks to the Department of English, DIU for trusting me with the convener-ship of its most honored event. My special gratitude to all the supporting bodies that have worked together to make it a grand success.

Thank You

With my best Regards

Nahid Kaiser
Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, DIU



Message

Message from the Co-Convener

I am impatiently waiting to meet the budding English Olympiad bees of tomorrow who are participating in a linguistic combat through our nationwide competition: English Olympiad Bangladesh 2022, organised by the department of English at Daffodil International University.

English as we all know works vehicular to connect to the rest of the world and the world of employments. Hence, this competition is meant for those high-flyers for whom sky is the limit.

Thinking of you all, who were connected with us virtually during the registration and selection round of the competition, joining us on 7th October at our picturesque Daffodil campus 'in person' or 'face to face' is triggering horripilation in me. Oh! What a new sense of love for the citizens of the world since the pandemic.

I will repeat what I mentioned over and over since April 2022 that this is your and your parents' and/or teachers' opportunity to enjoy a day out from the mundane life roaming around the campus, swinging in Bonomaya, and sitting on the lap of the earth mother in the same area. I take the privilege to name it EOBicnic where our English Olympiad Bees enjoy competing being enthralled in a literally positive environment.

I wish you all the best with the competition and life ahead.

Enjoy the EOBicnic!

Finally, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the department and respective authorities for entrusting me with the responsibility to organize this signature event as the Co-convener of the English Olympiad Bangladesh 2022. Thanks to the entire team who worked behind the successful holding of this event.

Rabeya Binte Habib
Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, DIU

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A Journey...

EoB is not a fashion
It's our style-a creation
Out of creative venture
We overcome danger

We dive and delve together
& our Motto is clear
'English is fun
Talent is our gun'

Every language we love
We know a soul-
Learning a language is skill:
Life and senses, we fill

Taming any Language
Is no more pain
Make it a game
And chill the brain!

...*Ariful Islam Laskar*, Assistant Professor,
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